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We shouldn't be doing  
endo surgery in fit  
patients!

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# WHO IS MY OPPONENT?



**Surgical Repair of Descending Thoracic and Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysms in**

**Open Surgical Repair of Descending Thoracic Aortic Aneurysms in the Endovascular Era: A**

**9 Type IV Thoracoabdominal Aneurysm Repair: Predictors of Postoperative Mortality, Spinal Cord Injury, and Acute Intestinal Ischemia**

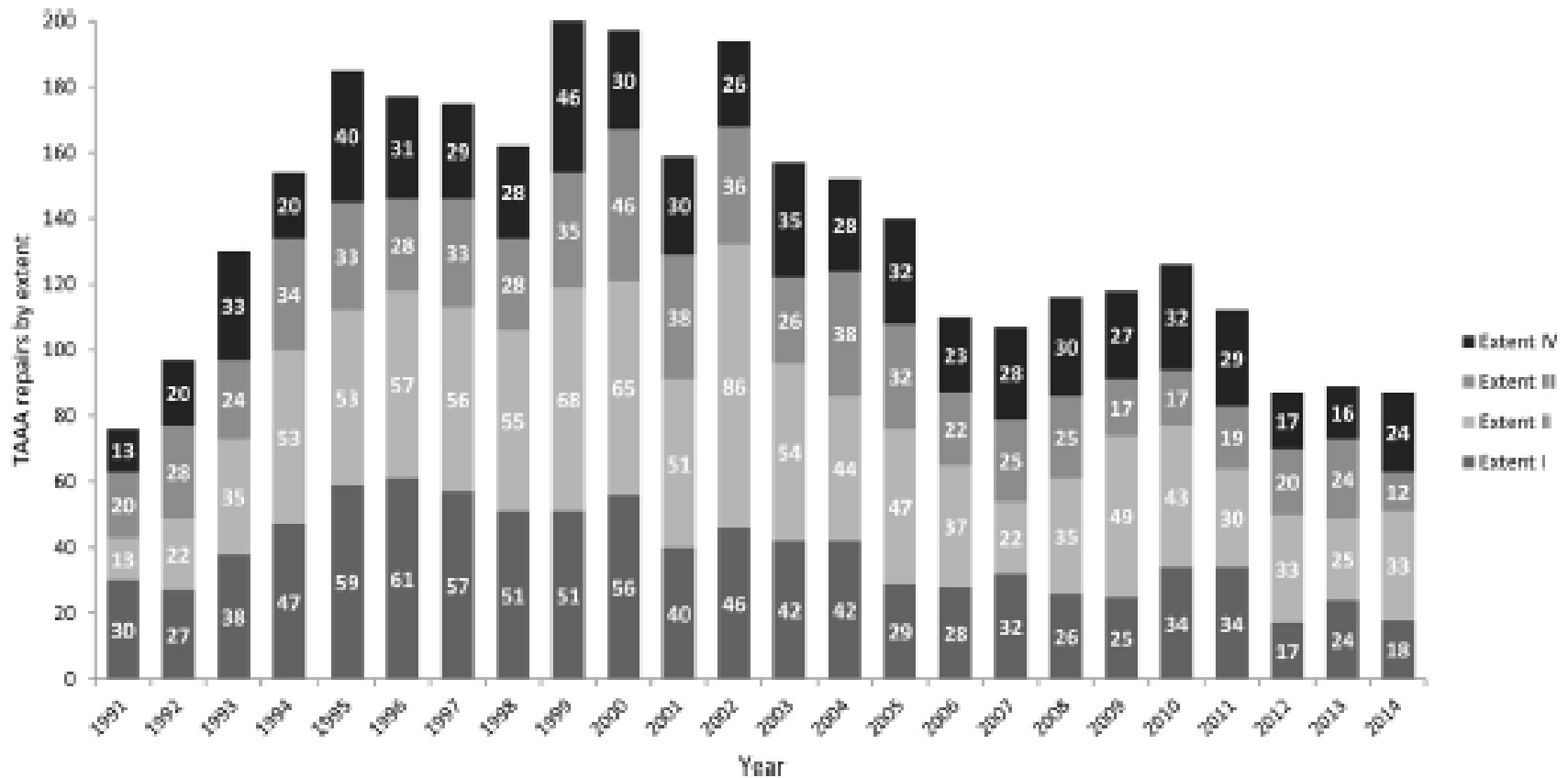
**Allograft replacement for infrarenal aortic graft infection: Early and late results in 179 patients**

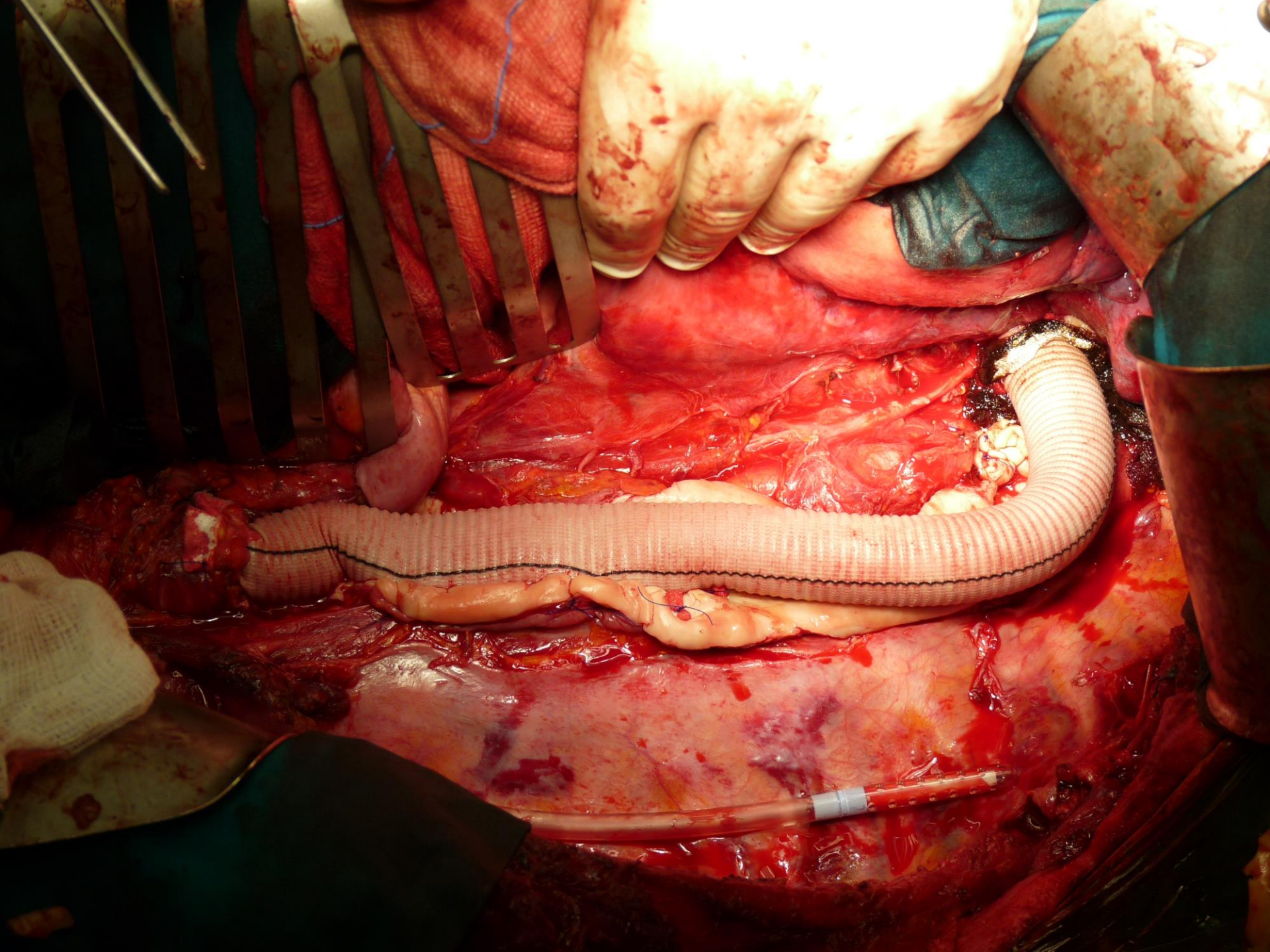
**Open repair of chronic post-traumatic aneurysms of the aortic isthmus: The value of direct aorto-aortic anastomosis**

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# Outcomes of 3309 thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm repairs

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**Percutaneous approach  
and early revascularization  
of lower limbs**

## Key points

- fEVAR/bEVAR, due to lower invasiveness based on the information provided by several case series, is increasingly performed for TAAA
- Confusing and Conflicting results are reported in the literature
- No level 1 evidence supports the use of this technology in **fit patients**

# A propensity-matched comparison of outcomes for fenestrated endovascular aneurysm repair and open surgical repair of complex abdominal aortic aneurysms

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**2001 – 2012:**  
59 FEVAR and 324 OSR

Table V. Multivariable models for 30-day outcomes in matched patients

Outcome	OR	95% CI	P
	5.1	1.08-24	.04
	2.3	1.1-4.9	.03
COPD	3.3	1.7-6.7	.0008
Cardiac complication			
FEVAR	0.47	0.1-2.2	.34
Pulmonary complication			
FEVAR	1.19	0.41-3.5	.75
Renal complication			
FEVAR	2.8	0.6-13	.2
Procedural complication			
FEVAR	4.3	1.5-12	.006
MI	3.9	1.4-11	.009
COPD	4.3	1.6-11	.004
Graft complication			
FEVAR	24	6.5-89	<.0001

older timing of the study reflecting the effect of developing training and techniques

Table III. Univariate

Outcome	FEVAR (n = 42) (%)	OSR (n = 147) (%)	P
30-day mortality	9.5	2	.04
Complication			
Any	43	23	.01
Cardiac	4.8	9.5	.2
Pulmonary	12	10	.2
Renal	7.1	2.7	.1
Procedural	24	8	.004
Graft	33	2	<.0001



# Endovascular Repair With Fenestrated-Branched Stent Grafts Improves 30-Day Outcomes for Complex Aortic Aneurysms Compared With Open Repair

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American College of Surgeons National Surgical Quality Improvement Program database

2005-2010: **1091** open repair and **264** endo repair

**Table I.** Epidemiologic data of the study cohort

	Open repair	FEVAR
Female	311 (28.5%)	47 (17.8%)
African-American	41 (3.8%)	7 (2.7%)
ASA I/II		14 (5.3%)
ASA III		181 (68.6%)
ASA IV		69 (26.1%)
ASA V	1 (0.1%)	0

Only ¼ of FEVAR patients was **ASA 4**

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**Table III.** Thirty-day outcome of open repair versus repair with fenestrated-branched stent grafts for complex aortic aneurysms

	Open repair	FEVAR	P value <sup>a</sup>	Total cohort
Mortality	59 (5.4%)	2 (0.8%)	0.001	61 (4.5%)
Any complication	458 (42%)	51 (19.3%)	<0.001	509 (37.6%)
Any nonsurgical complication	324 (29.7%)	21 (8.0%)	<0.001	345 (25.5%)
Surgical complication	240 (22%)	40 (15.2%)	0.014	280 (20.7%)
Pulmonary complication	232 (21.3%)	6 (2.3%)	<0.001	238 (17.6%)
Renal complication	108 (9.9%)	4 (1.5%)	<0.001	112 (8.3%)
Cardiovascular complication	85 (7.4)	5 (1.9%)	0.001	90 (6.6%)
Graft failure	11 (1.0%)	7 (2.7%)	0.036	18 (1.3%)
Any sepsis postoperative	110 (10.1%)	4 (1.5%)	<0.001	114 (8.4%)
Return to operation room	110 (10.1%)	12 (4.5%)	0.005	122 (9.0%)
Days of operation to discharge	10 ± 9.6	3.0 ± 4.3	<0.001	8.7 ± 9.2

<sup>a</sup>Indicates  $P < 0.005$ .

# Results and Factors Affecting Early Outcome of Fenestrated and/or Branched Stent Grafts for Aortic Aneurysms

*A Multicenter Prospective Study*

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**2009 – 2012: 268 patients**

**8 University Hospitals**  
each having previously  
performed **at least 15**  
**f/b-EVAR**

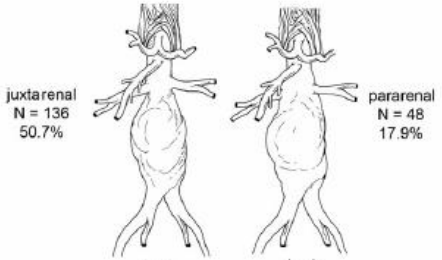
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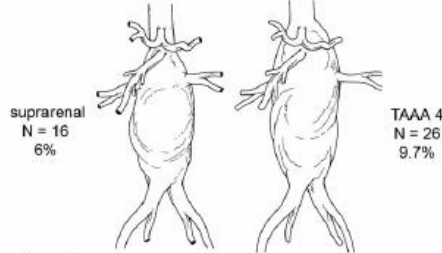
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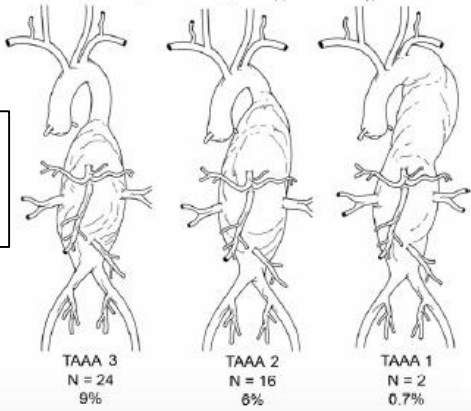
**GROUP 1**  
N = 184



**GROUP 2**  
N = 42



**GROUP 3**  
N = 42



**OVERALL N = 268** →

In-hospital death	Severe complications and death
6.5 %	17.2 %
14.3 %	25 %
21.4 %	31 %
10.1 %	22 %

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TABLE 6. Predictive Factors of Outcome in Patients Treated by f/b-EVAR

	Univariate Analysis		Multivariate Analysis	
	HR; 95% CI	P	HR; 95% CI	P
30-d mortality: 6.7%				
Group 1 vs 2 and 3*	2.70; 1.09–7	0.0321	ND	
PAOD	2.9; 1.15–7.36	0.0246	ND	
Intraoperative complications	5.03; 2.25–11.01	0.0003	ND	

- **Group 2 or 3 (vs 1):** predictive factor of severe complications and death (HR = 2.10; 95% CI: 1.26–3.48; P = 0.0043)

- **Technical complications and intervention time** significantly influenced in-hospital mortality (HR = 4.39; 95% CI: 2.05–9.38; P = 0.0001) and severe complications and death (HR = 3.07; 95% CI: 1.84–5.11; P < 0.0001)

PAOD	4.55; 1.39–14.92	0.0123	ND
Type of graft			
Fenestrated	1.0	0.0002	ND
Branched	18.4; 4.59–73.46	0.0002	ND
Fenestrated and branched	5.82; 0.97–34.86	0.0002	ND
Upper limb approach	18.4; 3.98–85.3	0.0002	ND
Thoracic stent graft	11.42; 3.34–39.03	0.0001	ND
4 fenestrations and/or branches vs 1–3	6.80; 1.80–25.64	0.0046	ND

\*The difference between groups was not statistically significant.  
 ND indicates not done (low number of events); only significant variables are detailed in multivariate analysis.

## Editor's Choice – The Impact of Early Pelvic and Lower Limb Reperfusion and Attentive Peri-operative Management on the Incidence of Spinal Cord Ischemia During Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysm Endovascular Repair

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**Table 2.** Thirty day complication rates.

	Total (n = 204)	Group 1 (n = 43)	Group 2 (n = 161)	RR (95% CI)	p
Major complications	54 (26.5)	15 (34.9)	39 (24.2)	1.1637 (0.9195–1.4728)	.11
Spinal cord ischemia	8 (3.9)	6 (14.0)	2 (1.2)	1.1477 (1.0163–1.2961)	<.01
30 day mortality	14 (6.9)	5 (11.6)	9 (5.6)	0.4807 (0.1699–1.3604)	.15
Minor complications	56 (27.5)	12 (27.9)	44 (27.3)	1.0080 (0.8181–1.2420)	.54

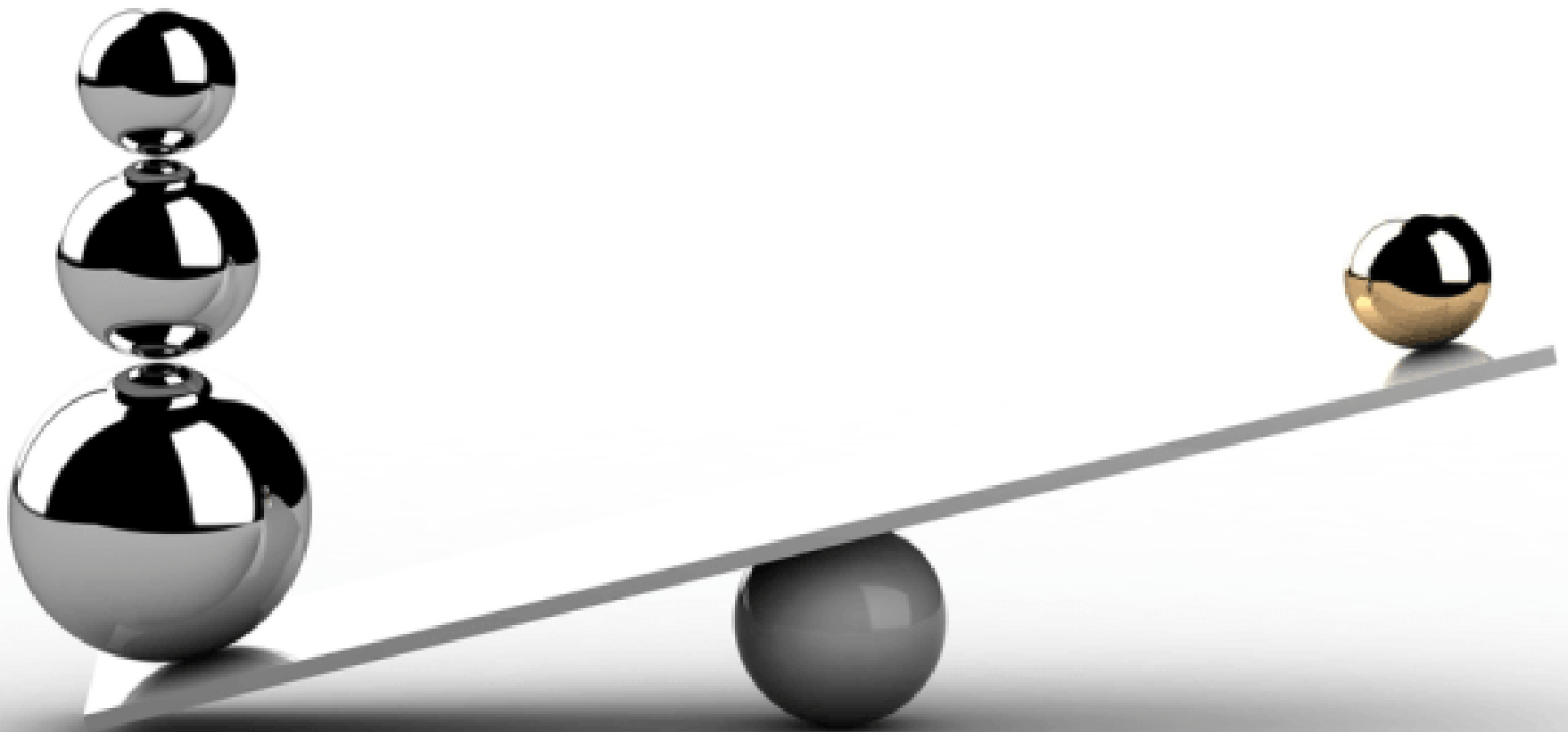
Note. Values are given as n (%). RR = relative risk; CI = confidence interval.

**Table 3.** Thirty day outcomes of patient with type I, II, and III thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysms.

	Group 1 (n = 24)	Group 2 (n = 95)	RR (95% CI)	p
Major complications	12 (50.0)	27 (28.4)	1.4316 (0.9409–2.1781)	.04
Spinal cord ischemia	6 (25.0)	2 (2.1)	1.3053 (1.0341–1.6475)	<.001
30 day mortality	5 (20.8)	7 (7.4)	0.3537 (0.1229–1.10175)	.06
Minor complications	8 (33.3)	30 (31.9)	1.0213 (0.7454–1.3993)	.54

Note. Values are given as n (%). RR = relative risk; CI = confidence interval.

...what about comparative studies?



# A propensity-matched comparison for endovascular and open repair of thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysms

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**2007 – 2014: 341 patients**

84 TAAA endo repair  
(Group 1)

257 TAAA open repair  
(Group 2)





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**Table I.** Demographics and baseline characteristics of 84 patients undergoing endovascular repair (ER) and 257 patients undergoing open surgery (OS) for thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm (TAAA)

	ER, No. (%)	OS, No. (%)	P value
Patients	84	257	
Mean age, years	72.1	66.2	<.001
Male	63 (75)	195 (75.6)	.88
Smoking	23 (27.4)	107 (41.6)	.02
Hypertension	76 (90.5)	234 (91.1)	.83
Dyslipidemia	37 (44)	157 (61.1)	.08
CAD	47 (56)	63 (24.5)	<.001
COPD	43 (51.2)	127 (49.4)	.80
Diabetes	8 (9.5)	50 (19.5)	.04
Renal impairment	12 (14.3)	56 (21.8)	.15
Previous aortic surgery	28 (33.3)	55 (21.4)	.40
Urgent/emergent	1 (1.1)	12 (4.7)	.04

CAD, Coronary artery disease; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

**Table II.** Demographics and baseline characteristics after propensity score matching

	ER, No. (%)	OS, No. (%)	P value
Patients	65	65	
Mean age, years	70.7	70.7	.95
Male	51 (78.5)	49 (75.4)	.83
Smoking	21 (32.3)	22 (33.8)	1
Hypertension	59 (90.8)	61 (93.8)	.74
Dyslipidemia	34 (52.3)	36 (55.4)	.86
CAD	31 (47.7)	33 (50.8)	.86
COPD	34 (52.3)	30 (46.2)	.59
Diabetes	5 (7.7)	7 (10.8)	.76
Renal impairment	10 (15.4)	12 (18.5)	.81
Previous aortic surgery <sup>a</sup>	23 (35.4)	15 (23.1)	.17
Urgent/emergent	1 (1.5)	3 (4.6)	.61

CAD, Coronary artery disease; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; ER, endovascular repair; OS, open surgery.

<sup>a</sup>In the 65 ER patients, there were six infrarenal abdominal aortic aneurysms and 17 ascending aorta repairs; in the 65 OS patients, there were 8 abdominal aortic aneurysms, 4 ascending aorta/arch aneurysms, 2 thoracic aortic aneurysms, and 1 thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm (TAAA).

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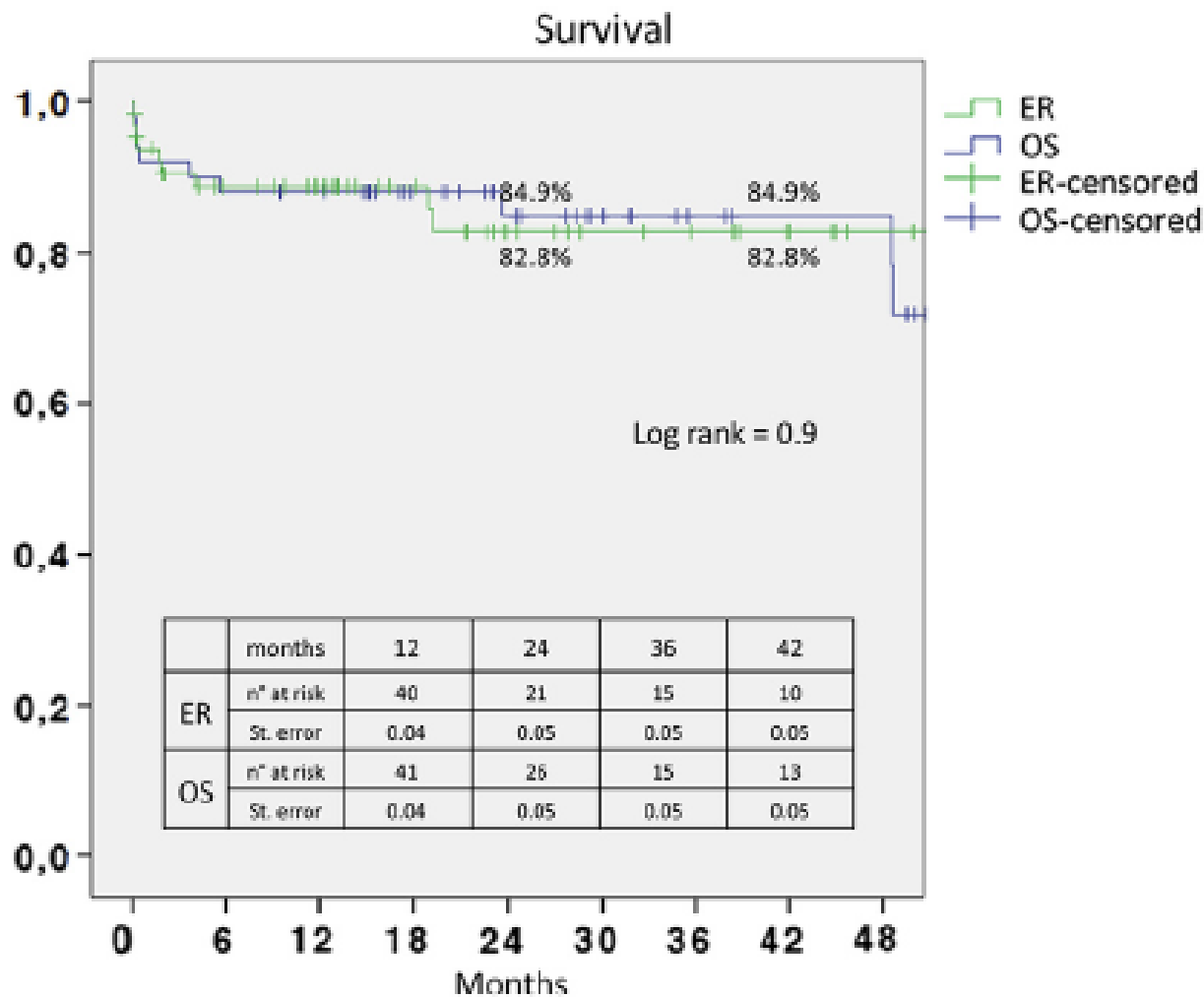
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PERIOPERATIVE RESULTS	Group 1 N = 65 (%)	Group 2 N = 65 (%)	p
<b>Composite endpoint</b>	<b>12 (18.5)</b>	<b>24 (36.9)</b>	<b>0.03</b>
• Death	5 (7.7)	4 (6.2)	1
• Spinal cord ischemia	8 (12.3)	13 (20)	0.34
- Paraplegia	6 (9.2)	7 (10.8)	1
• Dyalisis	6 (9.2)	8 (12.3)	0.78
- Permanent	1 (1.5)	1 (1.5)	1
• Respiratory complications	0 (0)	8 (12.3)	0.006
<b>ICU days</b>	<b>1.6 (0-12)</b>	<b>2.8 (1-13)</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>In-hospital days</b>	<b>6.3 (3-23)</b>	<b>16.3 (3-30)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>

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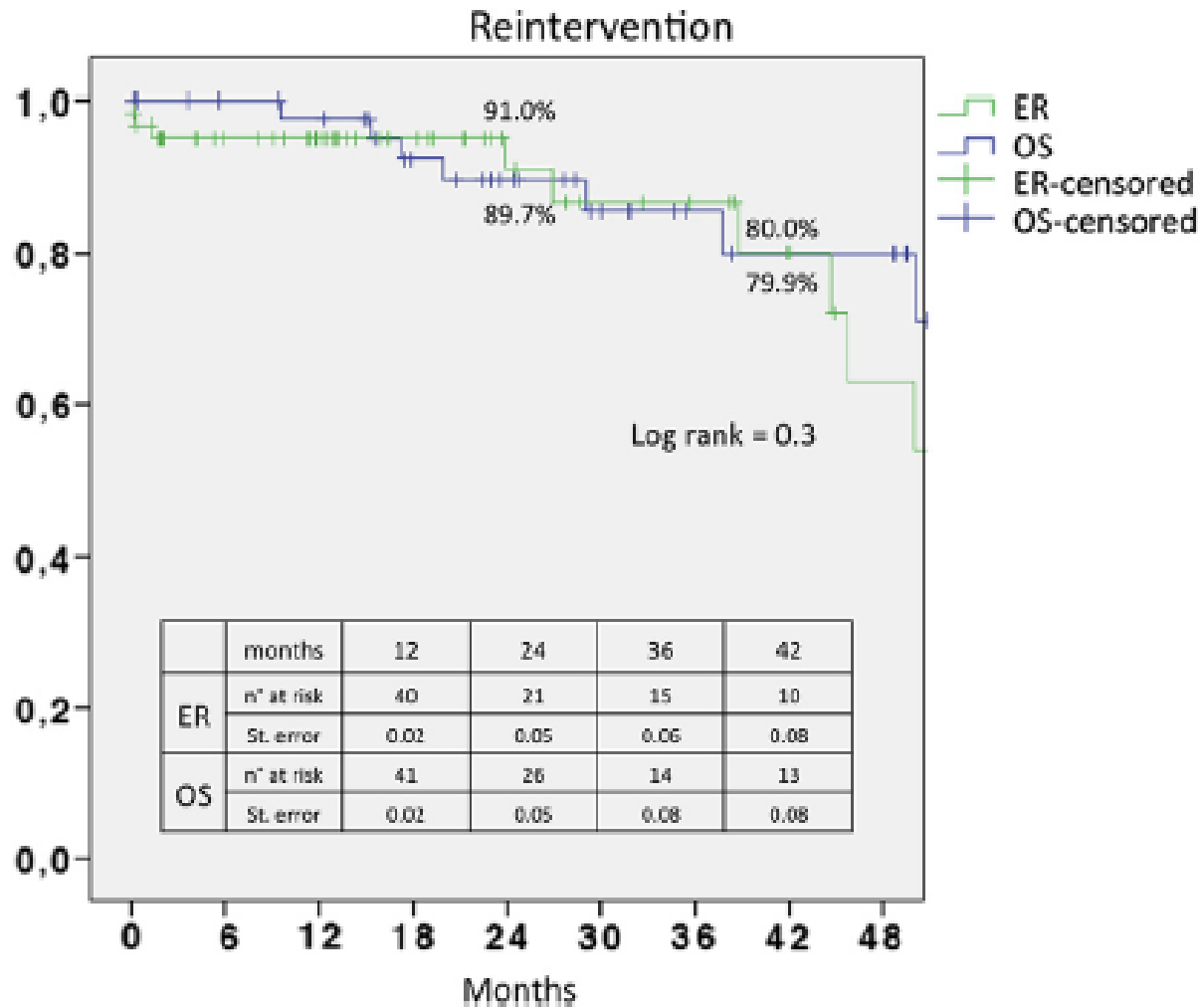
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# Fenestrated and branched endovascular aneurysm repair outcomes for type II and III thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysms

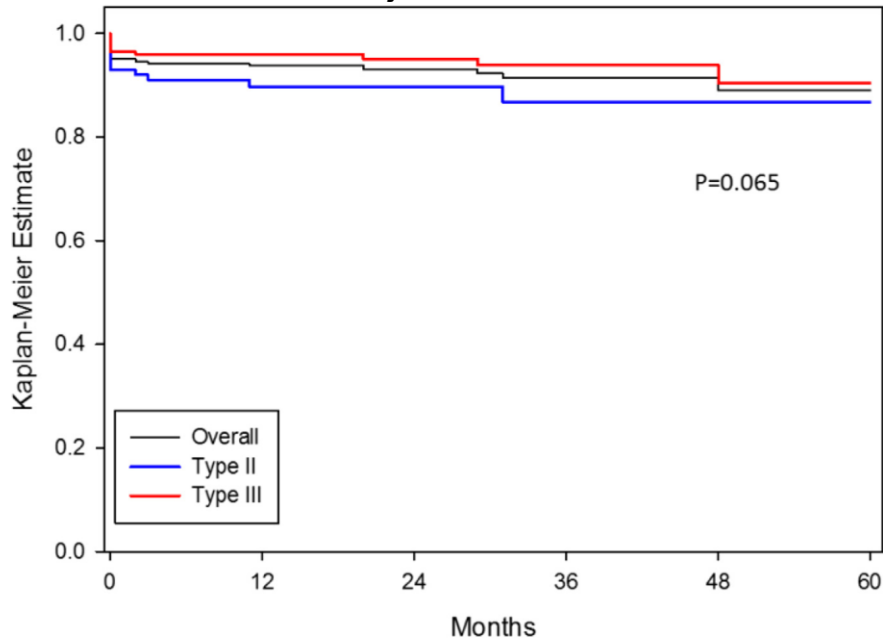
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354 pts (type II and III TAAA)

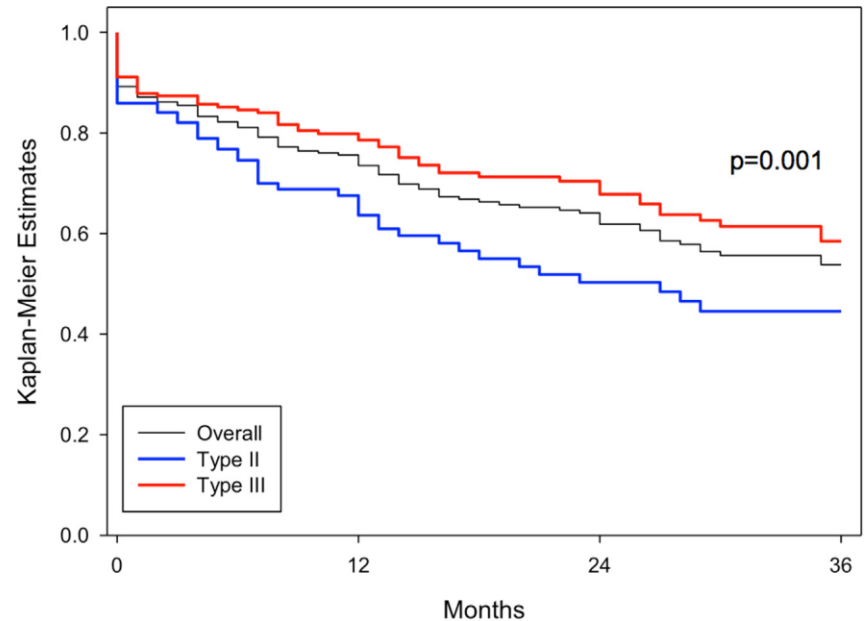


SCI 8.8% (permanent 4%)  
Periop Death 4.8%

**36 mths aneurysm related death**



**36 mths reintervention rate**



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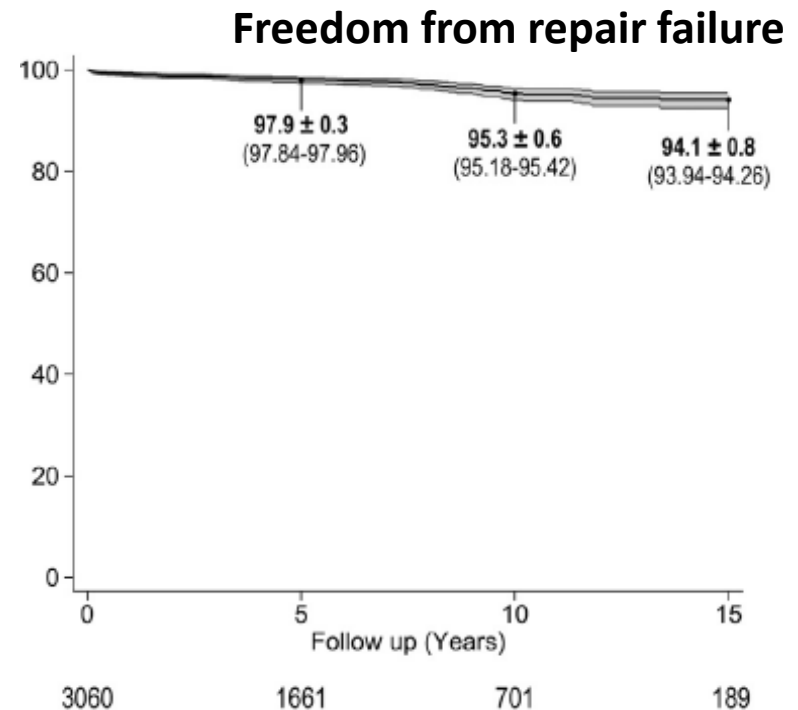
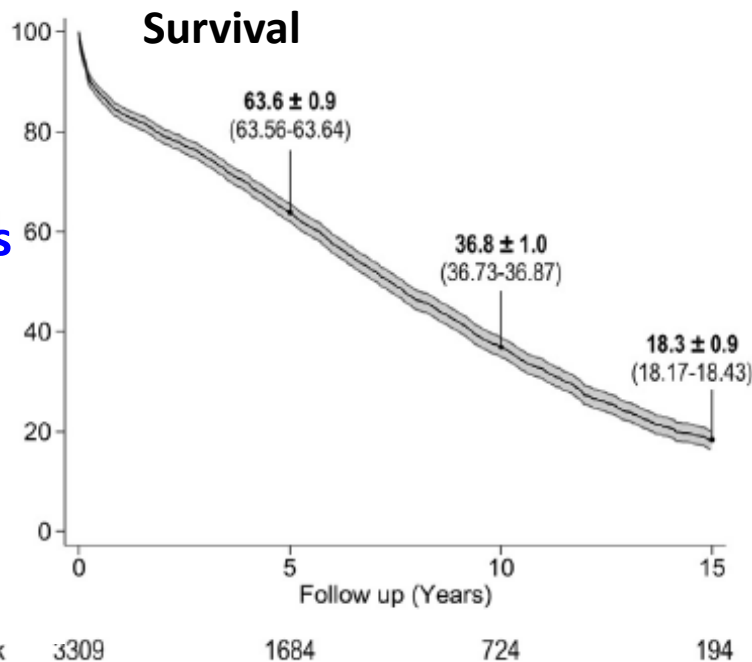
## Early Results

2586 pts elective (type II and III TAAA) →

SCI 3.95 (permanent paraplegia)

Periop death 8.2%

## Late results



- Open repair is the gold standard for treatment of TAAA mostly in fit patients





- In current well-balanced comparative series and in single large volume centers ER is associated with similar mortality and SCI if compared with OS
- However learning curve and small cases load have not been taken in to account in the available literature on ER





- We should perform endo surgery in fit patients, but adequate TEAM Work and Center experience is crucial.

# The importance of the Learning Curve and

- 1 or 2 interventionalists with the technical skills of the team LEADER
- Double team (time saving, blood loss, early revascularization of lower limbs, percutaneous approach)
- Highly specialized anesthesiologist deeply involved in complex aortic surgery
- Highly specialised OR Nurses



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***“Repairing TAAA poses substantial risks , particularly when the entire thoracoabdominal aorta (extent II) is replaced . Nonetheless , our dat suggest that TAAA repair , when performed in experienced center, can produce respectable outcomes”***